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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed September 22, 2004 the term for response to which expires on December 22, 2004.

Amendments to the Specification are set forth on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper. Claims 1 and 3 are amended, and claims 2, 4 and 5 are canceled.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.